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Robert Kopesky et al.

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Production of Microcrystalline Cellulose

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Sir:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This is an amendment and response to the Non-Final Office Action dated June 27, 2007, in relation to the above-identified application. This response is considered timely by virtue of the fact that it is being filed within the three-month shortened statutory period for response set in the Office Action.

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